public did, between the fifth (5) day of July, 1894, and the ninth (9) day of December, 1897, take certain acknowledgments of conveyances and instruments affecting real estate and the titles thereto; therefore,

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Acknowledgments legalized. That all acknowledgments taken by the said L. B. Dunton during the above mentioned period, of conveyances of real estate and affecting the titles thereto, be, and the same are hereby legalized and made valid, the same as though he had been duly commissioned as a notary public during said period. Provided, however, that nothing in this act shall affect any pending litigation.

Sec. 2. In effect. This act, being deemed of immediate importance,

SEC. 2. In effect. This act, being deemed of immediate importance, shall be in force and take effect from and after its publication in the Iowa State Register and the Riceville Recorder, newspapers published in the state of Iowa, which publication shall be without expense to the state.

Approved March 30, 1898.

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Iowa State Register, April 23, 1898, and in the Riceville Recorder, April 28, 1898.

G. L. DOBSON, Secretary of State.

## CHAPTER 176.

H. F. 308.

AN ACT to legalize the ordinances passed by the incorporated town of Danbury, Woodbury County, Iowa-

WHEREAS, Doubles have arisen as to the legality of the ordinances passed by the council of the incorporated town of Danbury, Woodbury county, Iowa, therefore,

Be it enacted by the Genera. Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Legal and binding. That all ordinances passed by the council of said incorporated town of Danbury not in contravention with the laws of the state of Iowa are hereby legalized and the same are hereby declared to be valid and binding the same as though the law had been complied with in all respects in the passage of said ordinances; but nothing in this bill shall affect any pending litigation.

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SEC. 2. In effect. This act being deemed of immediate importance shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the Iowa State Register, a newspaper published in Des Moines, Iowa, and the Criterion News, a newspaper published in Danbury, Woodbury county, Iowa,

without expense to the state. Approved March 30, 1898

I hereby certify that the foregoing act was published in the Iowa State Register April 1, 1898.

G. L. Dobson, Secretary of State.

## CHAPTER 177.

8. F. 189.

AN Act to legalize the election and the proceedings of the town council of the town of Patterson, Madison Co., Iowa.

WHEREAS, Doubts have arisen in regard to the legality of the elections, and qualifications of officers, of the town of Patterson, Madison county, for several years; and the legality of the record of the council proceedings being in doubt; therefore

Be it enacted by the General Assemblu of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Legal and binding. That the election of the town council, and the ordinances passed, and acts done as such town council, so far as such acts are in accord with the laws of the state and the powers conferred